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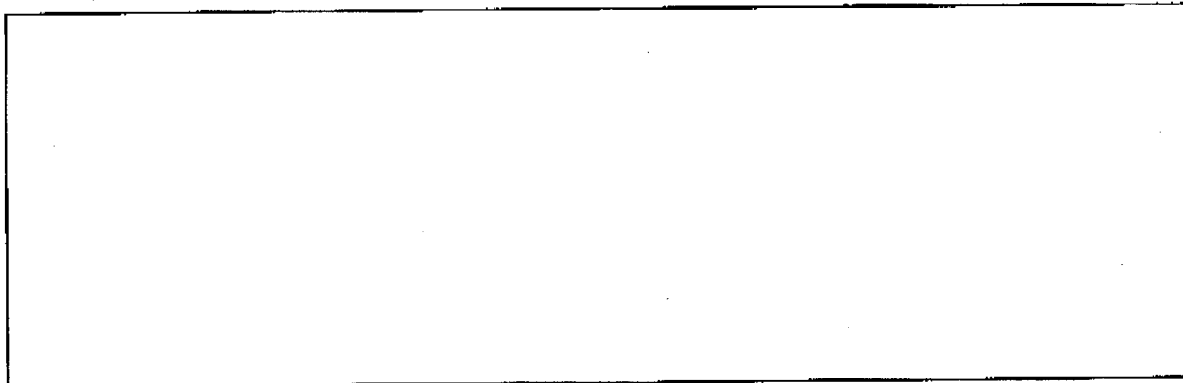
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**RECEIVED
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Applicant(s): Kolberg et al.

Serial No.: 09/830,029

For: DEVICE FOR MELTING OR REFINING GLASSES OR GLASS CERAMICS

Filed: July 25, 2001

Examiner: Mark Halpern

Art Unit: 1731

Confirmation No.: 9397

Customer No.: 27,623

Attorney Docket No.: 608.0010USU

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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

We are enclosing an Amendment in response to the communication dated August 27, 2004 in the above-identified application.

Petition for extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.136 and 1.137 is hereby made if, and to the extent, required. The fee for this extension of time is calculated to be \$_____ to extend the time for filing this response until _____.

The fee for any change in number of claims has been calculated as shown below.

CLAIMS AS AMENDED						
	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate	
Total Claims	6	Minus	20	0	x \$18.00	\$
Independent Claims	1	Minus	3	0	x \$88.00	\$
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE					x \$300.00 =	\$
TOTAL FEE FOR CLAIM CHANGES						\$0.00
1/2 FILING FEE FOR SMALL ENTITY						\$N/A

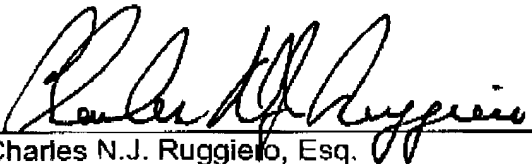
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 A check in the amount of \$ 0.00 is attached.

X The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16 and 1.17 which may be required with this communication or during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to **Deposit Account No. 01-0467**. A duplicate copy of this Form is enclosed.

October 1, 2004

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated August 27, 2004
and the Final Office Action dated May 6, 2004, Applicants
respond as follows:

Listing of the Claims begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.